



## **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**[OMB Number 1117-0046]**

**Agency Information Collection Activities;**

**Proposed eCollection, eComments Requested;**

**Extension without change of a previously approved collection**

**Self-Certification, Training, and Logbooks for Regulated Sellers and Mail-Order Distributors of Scheduled Listed Chemical Products**

**DEA Form 597**

**AGENCY: Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice**

**ACTION: 30-day Notice.**

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Justice (DOJ), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register, on May 15, 2017, allowing for a 60 day comment period.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 30 days until **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

If you have comments on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional

information, please contact Michael J. Lewis, Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration; Mailing Address: 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152; Telephone: (202) 598-6812 or sent to OIRA\_submission@omb.eop.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information proposed to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

2. *Title of the Form/Collection:* Self-Certification, Training, and Logbooks for Regulated Sellers and Mail-Order Distributors of Scheduled Listed Chemical Products.
3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* DEA Form: 597. The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the Drug Enforcement Administration, Diversion Control Division.
4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*  

Affected public (Primary): Business or other for-profit.

Affected public (Other): None.

Abstract: The Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (CMEA) and Combat Methamphetamine Enhancement Act of 2010 (MEA) mandates that retail sellers of scheduled listed chemical products maintain a written or electronic logbook of sales, retain a record of employee training, and complete a self-certification form verifying the training and compliance with CMEA and MEA provisions regarding retail sales of scheduled listed chemical products.
5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* The below table presents information regarding the number of respondents, responses and associated burden hours.

Activity	Number of Annual Respondents	Number of Annual Responses	Average Time per Response (minutes)	Total Annual Hours
Training record	53,860	367,780	3	18,389
Self-certification		53,860	15	13,465

Transaction record (regulated seller)		24,297,303	1	404,955
Transaction record (customer)	24,297,303*	24,297,303	1	404,955
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,351,163</b>	<b>49,016,246</b>		<b>841,764</b>

\* Assuming one unit of scheduled listed product per respondent.

6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the proposed*

*collection:* The DEA estimates that this collection takes 841,764 annual burden hours.

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